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Title: **Method for the Erection of a Wind
Energy Plant and Wind Energy Plant**

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Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith are four (4) sheets of a modified Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document cited on the Form PTO-1449 is also submitted. Moreover, an English translation of Denmark 97 00453 is provided. Hard copies of the U.S. Patents/Published U.S. Patent Applications listed on the modified Form PTO-1449 are not attached hereto. (See 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)). Should the Examiner desire hard copies of such U.S. Patents/Published U.S. Patent Applications, kindly contact the undersigned.

Notably, U.S. Patent 6,425,708 was cited during the prosecution of an application corresponding to an Australian application of the Applicant's which is directed to subject matter similar to the above-referenced application.

Moreover, the other references identified on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in an opposition proceeding involving a European application of the Applicant's which is directed to subject matter similar to the above-referenced application. Also submitted

herewith is a copy of the opposition briefs submitted by Repower Systems AG, Siemens Aktiengesellschaft, Vestas Wind Systems A/S, and GE Wind Energy GmbH in that European opposition proceeding. Notably, the opposition briefs discuss, among other things, the relevance of the documents identified in the attached Form PTO-1449 to the inventions claimed in the above-referenced European application.

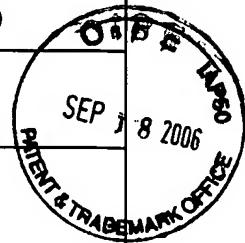
It is believed that the Examiner may find the documents cited in the modified Form PTO-1449 material to the patentability of one or more of the claims in the above-referenced application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner make his/her consideration of these documents formally of record with the next Office Action.

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Respectfully submitted,

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